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Sir:

In reply to the Official Action of September 22, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

The instant reply contains the following sections:

**Amendments to the Claims** (*beginning on page 2*), and

**Remarks** (*beginning on page 5*).